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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 13, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims:

✓ Please cancel non-elected claims 16-20.

Please replace claims 1-3 and 10 as shown below. A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.

a' 1. (Amended) A method of reducing the number of times a main power unit of a hybrid electric vehicle is activated to support an auxiliary system of the vehicle during a given drive cycle comprising a sequence of the following steps:

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